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Applicant: James Samsoondar et al.

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SUBSTITUTES

PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action mailed August 13, 2003, said period of response being extended from November 13, 2003 to February 13, 2004.

Our check in the amount of \$475.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee.
Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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